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Sir:

Applicant expressly requests abandonment of the subject patent application in favor of a Continuation Application simultaneously filed this date.

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